

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5020
ANSWERED ON:20.12.2002
EMPANELMENT OF ADVOCATES IN FCI
RAVINDRA KUMAR PANDEY

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

- (a) the existing norms for appointment/empanelment as an advocate in Food Corporation of India;
- (b) the total number of advocates appointed/empanelled in Food Corporation of India;
- (c) whether the proposal for appointment as FCI's advocate before Hon'ble Delhi High Courts pending for about eight months in Food Corporation of India;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and reasons therefor; and
- (e) the action taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SH. KRISHNAM RAJU)

- (a): The existing norms for empanelment by FCI as an advocate for the Hon'ble Supreme Court are :
- (i) he/she should have 15 years of standing as an advocate-on-record,
 - (ii) he/she shall be an Income-Tax assessee and
 - (iii) he/she should have had at least 25 appearances in the Hon'ble Supreme Court in the preceding year in which the empanelment is sought.
- The existing norms for empanelment by FCI as an advocate for an Hon'ble High Court are :
- (i) he/she should have ten years of standing at the Bar and
 - (ii) he/she shall be an Income-Tax assessee.
- (b): So far, 4 advocates for the Hon'ble Supreme Court and 165 advocates for different High Courts have been empanelled.
- (c): No, Sir.
- (d)&(e): Do not arise.